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The Honorable Benson Everett Legg  
Chief Judge  
United States District Court  
for the District of Maryland  
101 West Lombard Street  
Baltimore, Maryland 21201

Re: *Mellerson v. SSA*  
Civil Action No. L-01-2090

Dear Judge Legg

In response to your letter of September 8, 2003, undersigned counsel has conferred with counsel for the Social Security Administration regarding the referral of the attorneys' fees issue to Judge Grimm. Both parties consent to the referral of the matter to Judge Grimm for him to resolve.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Amy Beth Leasure

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